UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/596,424	06/06/2007	Jeroen Adrianus Johannes Thijs	2003P02902WOUS	6445
	7590 09/29/201 LLECTUAL PROPER	EXAMINER		
P.O. BOX 3001			JAMA, ISAAK R	
BRIARCLIFF MANOR, NY 10510		ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
			2617	
		MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE	
		09/29/2011	PAPER	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

Notice of Panel Decision	Application/Control No.	Applicant(s)/Patent under Reexamination
from Pre-Appeal Brief	10/596,424	THIJS ET AL.
Review		Art Unit
IC VIC W	LESTER KINCAID	2617

from Pre-Appeal Bri	10/596,424		THIJS ET AL. Art Unit					
Review	LESTER KI	NCAID						
	LESIERNI	NGAID	2617					
This is in response to the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review filed 06 July, 2011.								
<u> </u>								
 Improper Request – The Request is improper and a conference will not be held for the following reason(s): 								
☐ The Notice of Appeal has not been filed concurrent with the Pre-Appeal Brief Request.								
The request does not include reasons why a review is appropriate. A proposed amendment is included with the Pre-Appeal Brief request.								
Other:								
The time period for filing a response continues to run from the receipt date of the Notice of Appeal or from the								
mail date of the last Office communication, if no Notice of Appeal has been received.								
2. Proceed to Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences – A Pre-Appeal Brief conference has been								
held. The application remains under appeal because there is at least one actual issue for appeal. Applicant is								
required to submit an appeal brief in accordance with 37 CFR 41.37. The time period for filing an appeal brief will be reset to be one month from mailing this decision, or the balance of the two-month time period running								
from the receipt of the notice of appeal, whichever is greater. Further, the time period for filing of the appeal brief is extendible under 37 CFR 1.136 based upon the mail date of this decision or the receipt date of the								
notice of appeal, as applicable.								
☐ The panel has determined the status of the claim(s) is as follows:								
Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to:								
Claim(s) rejected: Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:								
Giaim(s) withdrawn from consideration								
3. Allowable application – A co	onference has been h	eld. The rejectio	n is withdrawn and a Notice of					
Allowance will be mailed. Prosecution on the merits remains closed. No further action is required by applicant at this time.								
4. ☐ Reopen Prosecution – A conference has been held. The rejection is withdrawn and a new Office action								
will be mailed. No further action is r	required by applicant	at this time.						
All participants:								
(1) <u>LESTER KINCAID</u> .		(3) <u>Charles Appiah</u> .						
(2) <u>Isaak Jama</u> .		(4)						
/LESTER KINCAID/ Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art								
Unit 2617								
			1					